

# BICYCLER

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# A Memorial to Celebrate the Life of Daniel F. “Danny” Lieberman

Wednesday, NOVEMBER 14, 2012,  
7:00 PM, The New York Society for Ethical  
Culture, 2 West 64th Street (b/w Broadway  
and Central Park West) Manhattan, New  
York. Subways: 1 A B C D to 59th St.

Many of you have asked, “What can I  
do”? Danny requested that donations be  
made to

**Bike New York** [www.bikenewyork.org/](http://www.bikenewyork.org/),

**Transportation Alternatives**

[www.transalt.org/](http://www.transalt.org/),

**Times Up** [www.times-up.org/](http://www.times-up.org/)

**Ethical Culture Society** [www.nysec.org/](http://www.nysec.org/)

A Sci-Fi scholarship in Danny’s memory is  
being set up at **Stuyvesant High School  
Alumni Association**. Please contact Mary  
Cunningham, by visiting [www.shsaa.org](http://www.shsaa.org)



**Please bring Pictures and Stories to share**



NEW YORK SOCIETY FOR  
**ETHICAL  
CULTURE** 





Danny Lieberman  
1959-2012



Danny Lieberman

5BBC Co-Leader  
5BBC Leader  
5BBC Treasurer  
5BBC Special Events  
5BBC Golden Spoke,  
2008

Danny was a one-of-a-kind cyclist and unique individual who was driven to push forward riding a bicycle, whether it was one of the many club rides he led, with friends, commuting to work, tireless advocacy and volunteering for various local area bike events.

And off the bike, he persuaded an array of diverse interests, engaging people with fine food, science fiction, refreshing conversation and wit.

The Five Borough Bicycle Club was very fortunate to have Danny as a cyclist and a good friend.

This issue is devoted and dedicated to his memory.

Sunday, September 7, 2008,  
Transporation Alternative NY  
Century bike event

Photos taken by Steven Rosen-stein (pictured left, next to Danny).



# 5BBC General Meetings

Presented by Ken Williams • [programs@5bbc.org](mailto:programs@5bbc.org)

Monday, November 26, 2012  
Cycling in France & 5BBC Nominations  
6:30 PM -- 8:30 pm,



Suspenders (back room)  
111 Broadway, Manhattan  
between Pine & Thames St.,  
north of Wall St & Trinity Church  
Subways: 1 R to Cortlandt, 4 5 to Wall St 2  
3 A nearby.

Enjoy a slide show by 5BBC member, Mimi Middleton, on  
traveling by bike in her native France.

Nominations for the 2013 Executive Board will be taken.  
Dinner and drinks available.

IMPORTANT: PLEASE RSVP to [programs@5bbc.org](mailto:programs@5bbc.org) by Thursday, November 22, 2012.  
FURTHER DETAILS CHECK [5bbc.org](http://5bbc.org), FACEBOOK and club email updates.

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*5BBC Members  
Please Vote in  
the upcoming  
5BBC Executive  
Board elections*

*Thank you*

COME ON AND ENJOY SOME  
**BARBECUE** & CELEBRATE  
THE HOLIDAYS AND PARTY

at the  
**FIVE**  
**BOROUGH**  
**BICYCLE**  
**CLUB**

**ANNUAL**  
**Holiday**  
**Party!**

**SATURDAY**  
**DECEMBER**  
**6PM TO 10PM** **1<sup>ST</sup>**





# 5BBC Holiday Party.

## Sat. December 1, 2012

### DETAILS

Come on over, enjoy some barbecue, and celebrate the holidays with 5BBC.

- Location: Dinosaur Bar-B-Que, 700 West 125th St near the Hudson River Greenway.
- Date: Saturday December 1, 2012, 6 to 10 pm
- Damages: \$35.00 before November 18. After November 18th, \$42.00 online, and at the door \$47.00, covers food, music, beverages, and desert. There will be a cash bar. YOU MUST REGISTER ONLINE via Active.com: <http://tinyurl.com/cwzg7g8>
- Directions by bike: Henry Hudson Greenway to 125th Street. Bike parking is limited. Please state when you register if you are riding.
- Public transportation: The closest subway stop is the #1 train at 125th Street & Broadway. Dinosaurs is one long block west, near the bike greenway and underneath the viaduct. Other alternatives is to take any subway running to upper Manhattan to 125th St & walk west, heading towards the Hudson River, or take the # 15 bus, west, to the last stop for a brief walk to Dinosaurs entrance.
- Autos: Westside highway to 125th St.
- Montauk Century 2012 volunteers are invited as guests of the 5BBC. You must register with Ken Williams, the Programs Coordinator, at [programs@5bbc.org](mailto:programs@5bbc.org) by 11/15/12 12:01am. No free registrations for volunteers will be accepted after this date.

Thanks and see you there!

## 5BBC Rides Meeting Places

### City Hall

South of Chambers & Centre Streets, directly across from Brooklyn Bridge entrance, Manhattan, Horace Greeley statue. Subways: 2 3 to Park Place, R W to City Hall, 4 5 6 to Brooklyn Bridge/City Hall, J M to Chambers St.

### Cunningham Park

Union Turnpike at 196th Place, Queens. From 179th Street, last stop on F subway; Ride left on Midland Parkway, left on 188th Street, right on Union Turnpike to parking lot at 196th Place. Parking is available.

### Doughnut Plant

379 Grand St., SW corner of Norfolk St., Manhattan. Subways: F to Delancey St., J or M to Essex St.

### Dunkin' Donuts

Bay Ridge, Brooklyn - Dunkin' Donuts Parking Lot, 9243 4th Ave between 93rd and 94th Streets (take N train in Manhattan/Queens, transfer to R train at 59 St in Brooklyn to last stop)

### George Washington Bridge (GWB) Bus Terminal

George Washington Bridge Bus Terminal, northeast corner, Ft. Washington Ave., 178th St., Manhattan. Subways: A to 175th St., 1 to 181st St.

### Kew Gardens

Northside corner, Queens Blvd. & Union Turnpike @ Statue of Civic Virtue, Queens. Subways: E F to Kew Gardens, Union Turnpike.

### Penn Station

8th Ave. & 31st St., northeast corner, Manhattan. Subways: 1 2 3 A C E to 34th St.

### Plaza Hotel

Fifth Ave. at 59th St., southwest corner, Litz fountain. Manhattan. Subway N R to Fifth Ave., 4 5 6 A B D E F nearby

### Prospect Park (Grand Army Plaza)

Flatbush Ave. @ Eastern Parkway, Bklyn. Near benches at entrance to park. Subways: 2 3 to Grand Army Plaza, F Q to 7th Ave., R to Union St.

### RING Garden

Broadway at Dyckman St., in Manhattan. Subways: A 1 to Dyckman Street.

# 5BBC Day Trips November 2012



Danny on his way to a favorite cycling destination--City Island. Photo by Andrea Casertano.



Manhattan's **Doughnut Plant**, not far from where Danny lived. He led rides that started from this shop.

## Saturday, November 3, 2012

### MIMI'S BIRTHDAY BASH RIDE 9:30 AM, Prospect Park-Grand Army Plaza, Brooklyn

Destination and route will likely be fluid due to the aftermath of Sandy. But, overall, it will feel good after this week to go on a bike ride with friends and fellow Club members. The best guess at this point is that we will look to do a ride of about 30 miles. Wide-tire bikes recommended. Bring lock and dollars for food. In case of iffy weather check Bulletin Board or follow billm45s on Twitter. Leaders: Bill Mastro & Kathryn Baur

### JONES BEACH OFF-SEASON 9:15 AM, Cunningham Park, Queens. 45-50 flat miles. 15 MPH moderate pace

Our annual ride for the last day of Daylight Savings Time. This is NOT a Quick Spin Ride. The beach will be clear, and it will be just as an inviting destination on a brisk fall day as it is during the dog days of summer. Bring or buy lunch (at the Causeway Deli - menu will be made available). We will pass through Floral Park, Garden City, Hempstead and Bellmore before the Wantagh State bikeway. Leaders: Wuid Alexander and Dennis Griffin

## Sunday, November 4, 2012

### NEW YORK CITY MARATHON RIDE 6:00 AM, Bay Ridge, Brooklyn - Dunkin' Donuts Parking Lot, 9243 4th Ave between 93rd and 94th Streets (take N train in Manhattan/Queens, transfer to R train at 59 St in Brooklyn to last stop), 22 mostly flat miles

UP FRONT, meet at 6 AM, and we start cycling at 6:30 AM. NOTE: DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

### South Ferry

Staten Island Ferry terminal, ground level bicycle waiting area, Manhattan. Subway 1 to South Ferry; R to Whitehall St.; 4 5 to Bowling Green; 2 3 A C E nearby

### Strictly Bicycles

2347 Hudson Terrace, Ft. Lee, NJ. From Manhattan: go to George Washington Bridge bike/ped path to New Jersey. Off the bridge, turn right to Hudson Terrace. After the underpass, carefully turn left after Myrtle Ave. and see the shop with parking lot. RECOMMENDED: ARRIVE 15-30 MINUTES EARLY BEFORE START TIME.

For a comprehensive list of ride locations, visit: [www.5bbc.org/meetingplaces.shtml](http://www.5bbc.org/meetingplaces.shtml)



He looked forward to 5BBC rides. Photo by Arabelle Taggart.

## Velo Ipsum

Recommended by Brian Hoberman

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### IMPORTANT CYCLING NOTE #1

There may be more rides not listed in the Bicycletter. Please check the club web at [ww.5bbc.org/rides](http://ww.5bbc.org/rides) and/or bulletin board; As a member, check club weekly emails.

### IMPORTANT CYCLING NOTE #2

As the weather gets cold, it's very important to: Dress in layers, that can be removed when needed. Apply Sunscreen and Lip Balm to protect your exposed skin and lips; Wear Sunglasses to protect your eyes. Drink lots of Water to stay hydrated. Thank you.

Want to help with the Bicycletter?



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You can contribute articles & photos for the Bicycletter--let us know. Email [newsletter@5bbc.org](mailto:newsletter@5bbc.org) The club's sans print communiqué is still viable in the Age of the 21st Century Internet.

The Bicycletter is now MONTHLY

ENDS the previous night. Here is your chance to ride the NYC Marathon course shortly before the race starts. While runners start in Staten Island, we forego the Verrazano bridge crossing (sadly not an option) and start in Bay Ridge, Brooklyn. No Point/Drop/Sweep. No cuesheets. Follow the broken blue lines of the marathon route on your own or with fellow cyclists. If we are lucky we'll finish in Central Park, just a few yards from the official race finish. NOTE: the ride officially ends at Central Park South and 59th St in Manhattan. In addition to checking out the pre-race festivities, this is an opportunity to explore many diverse communities within NYC at a time of very little vehicular traffic. Please arrive early and budget enough time for your travel to the start (At least an hour from Manhattan) There are bathrooms, good coffee, plenty of fellow cyclists as well as NYPD at the start. NOTE: Riding starts at 6:30 AM promptly. It is most important that we do so to avoid race course closure and not interfere with the race in any way. Each year this ride tends to draw a large group of riders and it takes some time for sign-ins to be completed. YOU MUST COOPERATE WITH POLICE if you are stopped along the route for whatever reason. If you are running late, hop on the R train along 4th Avenue in Brooklyn and meet up with the group in route. Ride Co-listed with NYCC. Bring MTA MetroCard. Check Bulletin Board for ride updates. Rain or frigid weather cancels. MAKE SURE YOUR BIKE IS IN GOOD WORKING ORDER. Leaders: Alfredo Garcia, Jesse Brown and Rodney Millard

### PALISADES PARK AND SO ON 9:30 AM, City Hall, 35 miles, moderate pace

Ya gotta love Jersey! It's got some really great stuff, including a fabulous view of the harbor. We'll enjoy the Hudson Fiord at the waterline, then from the GWB and finally from the majestic heights of the Palisades. We'll cruise through Hoboken, maybe imbibe after our ride, Cross the Hudson one more time and watch the sun go down on the most magnificent city that God ever allowed humans to create. Leaders: Ed DeFreitas & TBA

### Saturday, November 10, 2012

### STATEN ISLAND PERIMETER 8:30 AM, South Ferry, 40+ miles, rolling terrain and some busy traffic NOTE: RIDE CANCELLED

Cycling around the borough of Staten Island. Nice challenges along the way: pretty scenery, some busy roads, some hills and shorelines. Lunch at the midpoint at Tottenville. At Ft. Wadsworth,

you'll get an opportunity to get a photo of yourself cycling up a climb to see Brooklyn. Before catching the ferry, we might visit a bike shop. Average pace 10-15mph. Come prepared to ride and make sure your bike is in good working order. Leaders: Alfredo Garcia and Jackie Junntonen

### THE GREATEST TURKEY RIDE 10:00 AM, Kew Gardens (Union Turnpike & Queens Blvd @ Statue of Civic Virtue), Queens, 25-30 mile, Easy Pace

Join Ed and Liz as we eat Charlie's turkey, the best turkey in Queens. I can say I have been eating it for years. This is an easy flat ride. Usual weather conditions apply. Bring \$10 for lunch. Ride will end at Ed and Liz's apartment. There will be an open house at our place. Please call if you would like to join us for Lunch and are not riding. 718 487-4992. Leaders: Ed Pino and Liz Baum

### Sunday, November 11, 2012

### THE D & R CANAL TREK 7:15 AM, Penn Station, 31 St & 8th Ave, NE Corner, Manhattan, 45-50 miles, moderate, 13 mph pace

We will be taking the 7:45 AM train on NJ Transit to Trenton, NJ. Please be at the start by 7:30 AM the latest. We'll ride to Lambertville NJ and New Hope, PA. You will find beautiful fall colors, fresh air, and delightful towns. Come with the crew for loads of fun. Standard Fare (Round Trip) is \$31. Senior Fare (over 62) is \$15.50. Leaders: Jesse Brown, Rodney Millard, Ed DeFreitas

### BIKE HORSE BIKE 9:00 AM, RING Garden, (Broadway at Dyckman St), Manhattan, 25 miles, advance registration required (email [jzisfein@gmail.com](mailto:jzisfein@gmail.com))

Explore the wilderness of Pelham Bay Park while mounted on a different saddle. The Bronx Equestrian Center offers guided trail rides for people with all riding abilities. Even if you've never been on a horse you will learn to sit properly in the saddle, hold the reins, make turns, and bring your horse to a safe stop. We ride our bikes on the Mosholu-Pelham Greenway, switch mounts for a 1 hour trail ride, and enjoy lunch at an elegant and historic golf clubhouse. Long pants are recommended for horseback riding. Bring \$40 for the trail ride (\$35 plus \$5 tip for your guide) and \$ for lunch. Leaders: Maggie Clarke and Jim Zisfein

## Saturday, November 17, 2012

### PIERMONT BEFORE THANKSGIVING

9:00 AM, Strictly Bicycles, 40 miles  
some hills NOTE: RIDE CANCELLED

Do some fine cycling before the holidays to Rockland County to the town of Piermont, usual destination for Big Apple road cyclists. See the beauty of Autumn foliage and the Hudson River, at the 'Pier' we'll buy snacks and lunch at local delis, and visit a bike shop or two. Leaders: Alfredo Garcia and TBD.

### BEER GEEKS TOUR OF BROOKLYN 10:00 AM Prospect Park-Grand Army Plaza, Bklyn, 25 miles moderate pace

From the cobblestone streets of Red Hook to the Beer Barons of Bushwick, Brooklyn has had a significant impact on the American beer industry. And the beer industry has had a significant impact on the borough of Brooklyn. This ride takes us through various different neighborhoods as we visit sites of historic breweries: Federal, Consumer's, Ulmer, Hittleman's, Leonhard Michel, Schaeffer and my namesake, Meltzer Bros. Today, Brooklyn is again at the head of the pack with craft brewers Six Point, Brooklyn & Kelso. Find your inner beer geek. Join us for lunch and a pint or two at the end of the ride at Die Koelner Bierhalle in Park Slope. Bring: \$ for Lunch, Lock, Spare Tube & a Great Attitude. Leaders: David Meltzer and Bill Mastro

## Sunday, November 18, 2012

### THE GRANDEUR OF THE HUDSON 9:00 AM, George Washington Bridge Bus Terminal (W. 178 St & Fort Washington Ave.), Manhattan, 45 miles

Celebrate the beauty of the Hudson River with a ride along its left bank. The view is indeed grand from the town of Grand-View-on-Hudson, and even grander from the Old Erie Path in the cliffs above the town. You will also enjoy views of the Hudson from Tallman Mountain Park, Palisades Interstate Park, and from the pier in Piermont. 28c (1 1/4 inch) tires (or wider) are preferred for unpaved trails. Leaders: Jim Zisfein and Julie Blackburn.

### NEAR BROOKLYN 10:00 AM, City Hall, Manhattan, 25 miles, leisurely pace

The twin cities of New York and Brooklyn danced with each other for fifty years before the wedding.

We'll get some snapshots of that time and others. Then, maybe end up at a bike friendly pizzeria near Bowling Green. Leaders: Ed DeFreitas & TBA

## Thursday, November 22, 2012 Happy Thanksgiving!

### PRESIDENT'S SHADOWS 10:00 AM, City Hall, 15-20 miles

We all know where Washington slept. But is that all there is? Does New York have other intertwinings with other Presidents? Where did the first Vice President live? Did George decide the better part of valor was retreat in the face of sure defeat? Leaders: Ed DeFreitas & TBA

## Sunday, November 25, 2012

### THREE MUSEUMS 10:00 AM, City Hall, 20 miles, Easy Pace

Three (maybe four) Museums / Mansions / Homes. All in the borough of Manhattan. All here before the Civil War (one in a different place from where it was built). Two wrapped up deeply in American history. Minor to zero entry fees. The City is over 400 years old. You think it doesn't have history? Come find out. Leaders: Ed DeFreitas & TBA

## Sunday, December 2, 2012

### FROSTBITE SERIES #1 - RIDE TO BAYONNE FOR THE WORLD'S GREATEST PANCAKES 10:00 AM, City Hall, 25 miles

This is the traditional start to our club's answer to the pending winter blahs. The "Frost Bites" series asks the question, if winter is too cold to bike, how come it's not too cold for skiing? We start at City Hall, take the ferry to S.I., follow the west coast, cross the Bayonne Bridge for those delicious pancakes. We'll give our respects to the Lady in the Harbor and end up in Hoboken for the trip across the Hudson and home. NOTE: We have an alternate plan if the weather is bad. Leaders: Ed DeFreitas & TBA

## Saturday, December 8, 2012

### BROOKLYN AND CAKE 9:30 AM, Prospect Park-Grand Army Plaza, Brooklyn, 30+ miles

It is the Holiday Season, so let's burn some

## Bikes On Trains



24-hour access, no permit required, \$2 fare each way. Walk bike to station. Enter and exit through service gate. Avoid rush hours. Try to use letter lines (e.g. A, D, E, F) when possible. For weekend email advisories, visit: <http://advisory.mtanyc.info/customerselection.asp>. Read "Bike Safety in the Subways": [www.mta.nyc.ny.us/nyct/safety/bike/](http://www.mta.nyc.ny.us/nyct/safety/bike/)



Access requires an MTA Bike Permit, as well as fare, good for both trains, available, \$5 fee at:

A) Grand Central Terminal, Metro North window #27 or call 212-532-4900

B) Penn Station, LIRR Information booth or call 718-558-8228

Specific restrictions apply. Note: separate old LIRR and Metro North permits still valid for their respective lines. Web page link for application form:

[www.mta.nyc.us/mnr/html/mnrbikpermit.htm](http://www.mta.nyc.us/mnr/html/mnrbikpermit.htm)

For more information on all MTA



trains, visit [www.mta.info/bike/](http://www.mta.info/bike/)

Specific restrictions apply when you take your bicycle on New Jersey Transit. For Bike Program info, please call (973) 762-5100 or visit [www.njtransit.com/rg/rg\\_servlet.srv?hdnPageAction=BikeProgramTo](http://www.njtransit.com/rg/rg_servlet.srv?hdnPageAction=BikeProgramTo)



A permit is no longer required, but there are restrictions. 5BBC trips that use PATH, usually rides on weekends and holidays. For more info, please call (800) 234-PATH or visit [www.panynj.gov/CommutingTravel/path/html/rules.html](http://www.panynj.gov/CommutingTravel/path/html/rules.html)

## Bikes On Boats

Note: This is based on current information, subject to conditions. Please check website for updates. Bring a bungee cord to secure bike to boat railing, when needed.



Staten Island Ferry  
[www.siferry.com](http://www.siferry.com)

Year-round from Manhattan's South Ferry to Staten Island St. George. Fare & bike access are free. Go with your bike to the lower level of boat. There are separate cyclist waiting areas on both terminals. Bikes are placed in designated areas of boat.



New York Waterway  
[www.nywaterway.com](http://www.nywaterway.com)

Commuter & leisure cruises to Hudson County, NJ from various Manhattan terminals. They also have an East River route between Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens. Passenger fare varies from \$4 and up. Bike charge range \$1-\$5.



Seastreak  
[www.seastreak.com](http://www.seastreak.com)

Commuter and leisure cruises from Manhattan to Highland, NJ and other Monmouth County destinations. Offers daily Sandy Hook cruises from May to Sept. plus seasonal cruises to Martha's Vineyard. Fares range from \$26-\$275, depending on destination. Bike charge is \$5-\$30



Liberty State Park (LSP) Ferry  
<http://tinyurl.com/7s3o2z8>

Year-round service between Liberty State Park, Warren St., Jersey City and World Financial Center, Manhattan. \$7 one-way; free bike access. Ferry boats are now white. Not to be confused with New York Water Taxi.

calories with a ride around Brooklyn, and then more than replace those calories with a lunch stop at the Mill Basin Deli and then more calories again near the end of the ride as we make our way to Fort Greene to Cake Man Raven for those who want red velvet cake dessert. Bring lock and dollars for food. In case of iffy weather check Bulletin Board or follow billm45s on Twitter. Leaders: Bill Mastro & Claire Mordas

### Sunday, December 9, 2012

#### FROSTBITE SERIES #2 - FLAT ROCK NATURE PRESERVE 10:00 AM, City Hall, 30 miles

Aah Nature in Joisey! This privately owned natural preserve lets us bike to their Nature Center but only hike their trails. Lunch at a pond. Clothing is not optional. Leaders: Ed DeFreitas & TBA.

### Saturday, December 15, 2012

#### STATEN ISLAND CHOCOLATES 9:00 AM, South Ferry, 23 miles or less, some hills, busy traffic

Come cycling for chocolates, at a relaxed pace. Supreme Chocolatier, (website to visit: [www.supremechocolatier.com/](http://www.supremechocolatier.com/)) is a longtime chocolate factory and outlet in Staten Island. Bring panniers to stock up on your holiday sweets. Dress warmly for the ride. We will ride further to get a sit-down lunch. Leaders: Alfredo Garcia and Kathryn Baur.

### Sunday, December 16, 2012

#### FROSTBITE SERIES #3 - XMAS IN THE CLOISTERS 10:00 AM, City Hall, 25 miles

You don't have to be rich as Rockefeller to enjoy mid-evil art in a monastery sitting atop Ft. Tryon Park. Bring lunch for Al Fresco or dine indoors (little pricey but good). Leaders: Ed DeFreitas & TBA.

### Sunday, December 23, 2012

#### FROSTBITE SERIES #4 - XMAS LITES IN DYKER HTS. AND DIM SUM 12:30 PM, City Hall, 20 miles

Brooklyn's Chinatown is no longer a secret. But, it's still a great destination when Dim Sum is desired. We'll check out the Xmas lights atop Dyker Hts. But first, it's Eighth Ave. for lunch. On

the way back, we'll take in the Manhattan skyline from Sunset Park. MAKE SURE TO BRING LIGHTS! HOPEFULLY FRONT AND BACK! Leaders: Ed DeFreitas & TBA.

### Thursday, December 27, 2012

#### A CHRISTMAS-WEEK BROOKLYN LIGHTS RIDE 6:00 PM, Prospect Park-Grand Army Plaza, Brooklyn, 15-20 leisurely miles

Come join us for a Christmas week ride through parts of western Brooklyn to once again check out the holiday lights. We will ride at a leisurely pace to lighting displays in Greenwood Heights, Bay Ridge, Dyker Heights and Bensonhurst. Midway we'll stop in Bay Ridge for a chance to get a holiday treat, hot chocolate or perhaps a slice from Nino's. Bring lock and money for food. All bikes must have lights and you should wear bright or reflective clothing. Rain, snow or extremely cold temperatures will cancel. Check bulletin board the day of ride or follow billm45s on Twitter for an update. Leaders: Bill Mastro and TBD

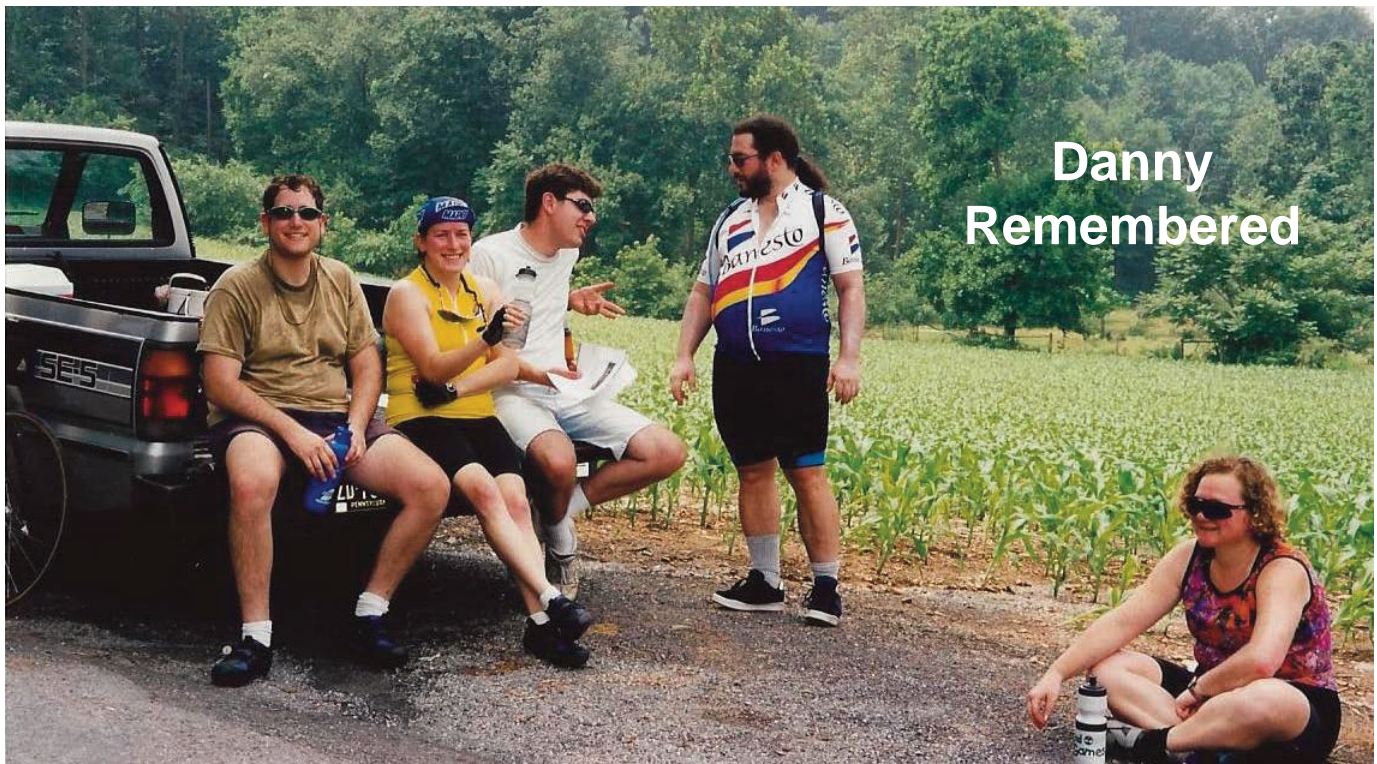
### Sunday, December 30, 2012

#### FROSTBITE SERIES #5 - NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN 10:00 AM, Plaza Hotel (59th St & 5th Ave, Manhattan), 30 miles

Elly Spangenberg's perennial ride. Smell fresh roses at one of the foremost American public gardens. Take a look at the Holiday Train Show. Go to the Enid A. Haupt Conservatory for "A World of Plants" in a warm environment. See [www.nybg.org](http://www.nybg.org) for internet info. Bring a digital camera, lock, \$ for lunch and \$3 admission. Leaders: Ed DeFreitas & TBA



Sept. 23, 2007: Danny on a bike ride in Queens.  
Photo by Steve Rosenstein.



## Danny Remembered

*5BBC Weekend Amish Country trip, July 4th Weekend 1999: Clyde Eisner, Lisa Lager, Mennonite Guide, Danny & Marina Bekkerman. Photo by Valerie Gates.*

**D**anny was one of the first people I met when I joined the 5BBC in 1999, on a July 4th weekend trip to Pennsylvania Amish country. He was instantly friendly and chatty, and so enthusiastic about that weekend's rides - and the snack stops! We quickly discovered that one thing we had in common - apart from our passion for bikes and biking - was our love of the color purple! On some day rides, Danny would show up astride a purple bike, dressed in a purple jersey, with all purple accessories to match. It was quite a sight!

It was Danny who took me to Bicycle Habitat on Lafayette Street to help me pick out my first road bike; and rode with me back to Queens (where I lived at the time), as I perched unsteadily atop my new bike on its maiden voyage! Of course, we had to stop along the way and refuel at one of Danny's favorite greasy spoon joints in Jackson Heights!

It was Danny who taught me how to use clipless pedals on the West Side bike path, and who took me to a John Waters movie afterwards, so that all three (i.e. Danny, clipless pedals and John Waters) are forever linked in my mind! One of the funniest 5BBC rides with Danny that year (on my new road bike!) was to the Mermaid Parade in Coney Island, where Neptune on his float, all painted in blue, and wearing nothing but the briefest of briefs, bent over to retrieve something - perhaps a missing part of his costume? - and we all got a view that haunts us to this day!

One of the first things you noticed about Danny was his presence: Danny was an outsize person with an outsize personality. He had an immense appetite for life - and for food. Sure, he didn't always make the best choices in that department, but you had to admire his sheer enthusiasm for life. "Indifferent" or "Bland" are not adjectives one would ever use to describe Danny, who never left any room for doubt about how he felt. But underneath his tough, "silver-back male" exterior, Danny had the kindest heart, as I had occasion to witness many times.

After my marriage (to fellow biker Steve!) and the birth of my daughter Melanie, it was hard for me to be as active a 5BBC member as I would have liked, and I lost touch with Danny, so I was deeply shocked and saddened to hear the news of his passing. Danny will always hold a special place in my heart, because he was a special person, and I am honored to have known him. *By Valerie Gates*



Danny in the center of an LIRR train car, after volunteering at the Montauk Century, Sunday, May 20, 2006. With him are Lee Ilan (right, next to Danny, upside down) and Clarence Eckerson (further right, both hands raised). Photo by Andrea Mercado.



# Danny Remembered by Ed and Liz

I met Danny the year we joined the 5BBC. We were on his perimeter series ride. Liz, Jesse, and I were hooked by the need to get the patch. Danny was supportive and with that support came the push to take the Leadership class.

I think out of all the riders in the club I have ridden with Danny the most. Besides club ride he would call and say want to ride to Ice Cream? What are you doing want to go for lunch? Want to scout a ride?

Danny was Danny he had to do it his way. He did not share or always play nice. He would tell it like it was. He was a real pain at times but we all loved him.

In the last year I got to know him well. I realized that there were many worlds of Danny and that usually they did not intersect. Biking, Science-Fiction and Stuyvesant High School friends were numerous. The only time they came together was at Danny's Birthday dinners.

Danny had so many acquaintances and friends, everyone has Danny stories. I will miss my friend!

*Ed Pino*



*Ed & Liz helping each other fix a flat from their tandem bike during the 2010 Montauk Century. Photo by Ben Karassik.*

DANNY

- The old curmudgeon that never got to be old

Danny loved to eat, love to ride, and I love Ice Cream.

If I was on a ride with Danny, he always sort out either Chocolate or Ice Cream.

When I first met Danny in my first summer, and I was doing the perimeter series, and I struggled those long hot days of summer. I ate Ice Cream from Brooklyn to Manhattan and Queens, as well hot chocolate and brunch in the winter.

I rode on hard packed roads, dirt roads through brambles, garbage and even the GRAND CENTRAL PKWY; we did leadership training with his helmet on backwards and Danny just being Danny. We had turkey and holiday parties with him throughout the many years of friendship.

When Ed was either visiting his Mom or Jesse, Danny would come by pick me and we would go on the ride together.

Danny – I will miss you and you are missed, with fond remembrances and love-Liz

*Liz Baum*

*For over a decade, Ed Pino and his wife, Liz Baum, lead rides for the 5BBC. For the past few years, they are the 5BBC Leadership Coordinators, recruiting, teaching and graduating a new generation of Five Borough Bicycle Club ride leaders. They are also certified LAB instructors. Ed and Liz took care of Danny in his last days. We are very grateful for their compassion of a good friend.*



Danny cycling on a 5BBC Montauk training ride to Westwood, NJ, Saturday, April 2, 2011. Photo by Alfredo Garcia.

# Danny Remembered

I will remember Danny for his "Danniness!" Plus his encouragement that I could ride further than I thought and his never-ending smiles.

*Arabelle Taggart*

He was the neshama (soul) of the club. Many people didn't know what was his personal life.

*Yury Rabinovich*  
5BBC member 20+ years



*Photo by Steve Rosenstein*

I think more than anybody else, Danny drew me in to riding with 5BBC, as much for his grace, wit and good humor as for the rides he led. Cycling with him was always an adventure; his knowledge of the back roads of the Five Boroughs was unrivaled.

His Frozen Seatpost ride was one of my favorites, but not for the faint of stomach. It was an epically hot summer day, but by the time we reached the end of the ride, the 5th ice cream parlor that day, nobody could look at another scoop of ice cream, except of course for Danny, who was still going strong!

*Claire Mordas*

I joined my first group ride, a Time's Up Night Ride in Central Park. It was a glorious night, and as we rode through the darkness, this one guy was often by my side. Yes, it was Danny.

After riding together during the ride, we left at the same time heading to the West Side Path. The combination of a gorgeous night and Danny's company kept me on the bike and I rode past 50th Street and all the way downtown.

At some point, he said he was leading a ride to some place called City Island, which I had never heard of, and that he thought I would have a good time. I joined the ride and rode with Danny during much of that springtime ride.

It was my introduction to the 5BBC and through that introduction, to so many people I now count as good friends.

I can honestly say that he changed my life. I miss you, Danny.

*Geoff Cohen*

I fondly recall Danny's kindness to me on many occasions, the rides we co-led and events we participated in together, the love of history we shared, the conversations we had.

Danny was a true "mensch" in every sense of the word and will be missed by all those whose lives he touched.

*Ira Najowitz*

I have so many snippets of memories of Danny that meld together (from bike rides, as event volunteers, social gatherings, meetings and shared subway rides), that it is hard for me to come up with a story or an example of Danny being Danny, other than one of the earliest rides I shared with him.

It must have been 1998; Paul Sullivan arranged for us to ride over the Verrazano Bridge from SI to Brooklyn the night before the NYC Marathon. It was Halloween, so I decided to mount a lighted plastic pumpkin over my helmet. Danny (wearing that orange jacket he had for many years) seemed to really appreciate it and called me 'Pumpkinhead' (referring to the horror film from a decade earlier) every chance he could during that ride. And for weeks afterward.

Whenever I saw Danny at the start of a gathering I always caught this glimmer in his eyes and a curl in his lips that told me: a) he was happy to see me, b) he had something to say and c) what he was going to say would make me laugh or piss me off, or both. But I knew I had to hear it, no matter what, and I was always glad I did. I will miss that most.

Of all the people I've come to know, Danny had a rare ability to be, at the same time, inspiringly generous and annoyingly selfish. And that selfishness was something to be appreciated because it showed that, despite his readiness to sacrifice for the sake of others, he wasn't willing to compromise his own priorities as an individual or when in charge of a group.

*Mark Plaut*

I was working late one night at Bike New York and I got a phone call from Danny.

He was angry because his beater bike had just been stolen.

He had gone to one of his favorite restaurants for dinner and locked his bike up a couple of doors down from the restaurant on a parking sign.

When he came out of the restaurant, he couldn't find his bike. A couple of days later he called about something BNY related and told me cheerfully that he had recovered his missing bike. He was walking past the restaurant and a couple of doors down, there was his bike still locked to the same parking sign.

It had been there all along. It seems that the night he was in the restaurant between the time he locked up his bike and the time he left, one of the businesses in the vicinity had put out the recycling and completely buried his bike.

*Katie Marion*



*Photo by Danny Leiberman*

Thanks Danny, I know you got my back!

*Jackie Junttonen*

# Danny Remembered

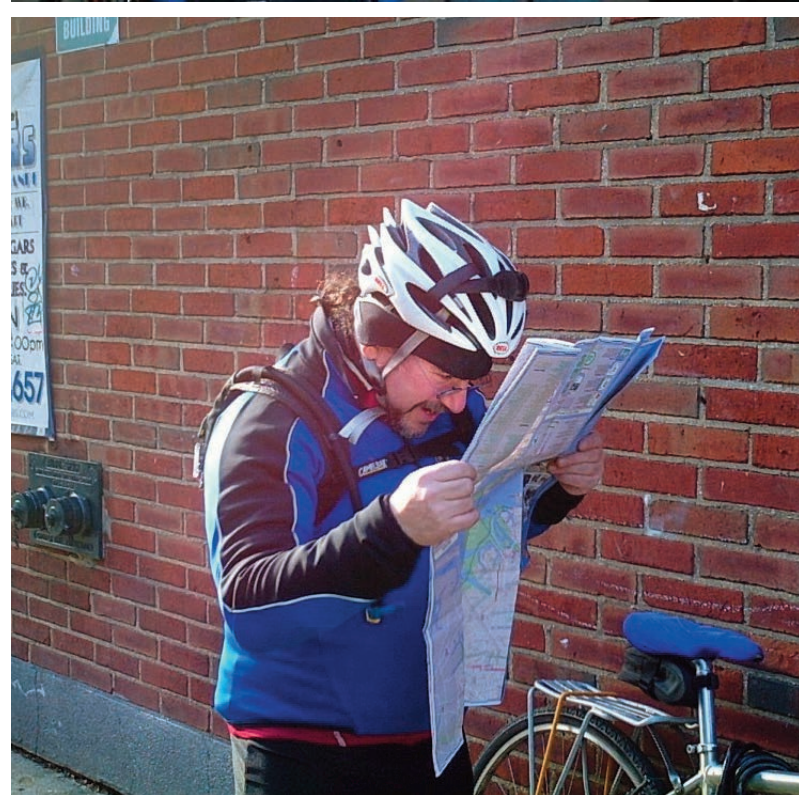


I went through my files and found these two photos of Danny Lieberman

The top photo is dated November 2007. It was the finish of his Chocolate ride and we posed for a group photo on the Manhattan side of the Manhattan Bridge. We are all smiling because it was a great ride, we'd consumed vast quantities of chocolate, and of course, because of him.

The above photo is dated July 2008 and was taken along the east side greenway. It was from a City Island ride.

Danny will be greatly missed.



## Danny Remembered

Counterclockwise, top from left: Taken on first 5BBC ride I met Danny. Ride to Filmores Mr. Pizza--This was at the end of 5BBC ride and we bumped into Danny. I dont think he wanted us to share his slice! Next three photos from a Hunts Point ride, December 17, 2005--My second ride with Danny!: Mr. Map; Danny greeting people and Mrs. Map (me!) pointing Danny in the right direction on the ride. It all seems like yesterday!) Danny took this photo!



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# Remembering Danny Lieberman, a Gentle Force for Better New York Cycling

Before Streetsblog, there was “ebikes.” Since the early 1990s, this listserv has been a digital village square for New York-area bicycle riders — the place where cyclists share info on routes, gear, events and politics — and an incubator for change as well.

Danny Lieberman, the listserv’s beloved founder, moderator and guiding spirit, and a mainstay of the Five Borough Bike Club, died last Friday. He was 52. Danny was diagnosed with leukemia two years ago and hung in as long as he could. Two fellow 5BBC’ers, Ed Pino and Liz Baum, helped care for Danny in his last weeks, and many of us got to see him before the end.

Danny and ebikes were a perfect pair: unglamorous, talkative, ecumenical, workmanlike ... and essential. I’d guess that the number of list-members over the years has totaled at least a thousand. Each of us has a happy story — or a hundred — about routes learned, repairs accomplished, rides taken and alliances formed as a direct result of one posting or another. Each of us drew from the list the encouragement and courage to get back on the bike, and stay on, in the face of the indignities and adversities this city throws at everyone who traverses it on two wheels.

Right Of Way, the activist collective I helped form in the mid-1990s, probably owes its existence to ebikes. Through posts on the listserv, individuals who could no longer abide the recurring slaughter of NYC pedestrians and cyclists saw that we were not alone and started to band together. The Street Memorial Project, which ultimately stenciled body outlines of 250 victims of reckless driving throughout the city and gave rise to the groundbreaking study “Killed By Automobile” [PDF], was the result. Danny came on many of the memorial rides and shouldered his share of data entry and coding.

Unlike blogs, listservs require posters to include their names and emails, yet are off-limits to the larger public. These features



by  
*Charles  
Komanoff*

Danny Lieberman with Transportation Commissioner Janet Sadik-Khan at this year’s Five Boro Bike Tour.

Like so many who devote themselves to advancing cycling, Danny wasn’t celebrated, but he left an indelible impact. As ebikers consoled each other over the weekend, list member Michael Smith quoted W.H. Auden:

*When there are so many we shall have to mourn ... of whom shall we speak?*

*For every day they die among us, those who were doing us some good, who knew it was never enough but hoped to improve a little by living.*

Michael’s was one of a few dozen posts in ebikes digest #3256. I did the math, and came up with 80,000 posts to date — ten a day since Danny cast ebikes upon the waters. They’ve made a lot of ripples — way more than enough to reach from Danny’s Lower East Side apartment to Montauk and back again.

Ebikes continues. Thanks Danny. You’ll always be with us.

allowed ebikes to build a “moral ecosystem” of trust, honesty, and clashing viewpoints, noted Carol Wood, another cycle activist engaged with the list. “Ebikes changed the quality of my life in New York and brought me into contact with many people, ideas, and events I now take for granted,” Wood said, attributing the project’s success to Danny’s “generosity and goodwill.”

Danny’s contributions transcended shepherding ebikes. He was an active ride leader for the 5BBC, a dedicated volunteer for Transportation Alternatives, and a faithful marshal and ride organizer at the Montauk Century and Bike New York. Danny was also unfailingly good-natured and upbeat — a mensch for sure, but even more gentle and nurturing. “Listmom,” he once termed his job at ebikes, and it stuck.

*Left, Danny as a Marshal Captain on the 2011 Five Boro Bike Tour, near the Con Ed rest stop station, in Queens. From his digital photo collection.*

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# Vignettes From a Green Life – New York City's Danny Lieberman

## How One Person Can Change the World

Before there was Al Gore and his “An Inconvenient Truth”, there were local activists around the world striving to make their community a greener place. One of those local activists who impacted both the environment and the people who live in the environment, was Danny Lieberman, one of the forces behind New York City's cycling world. Danny was fearless and fierce, and yet one of the kindest, most generous souls I've ever met. We lost Danny to leukemia this past month. New York City, cycling, and the environment will never be the same. While we've all been mourning Danny, his life cut short so, so early – his loss has brought together hundreds of his friends through Facebook, “Danny flash gatherings”, blogs and articles. Danny had more friends than anyone I know – and real friends, not just acquaintances. I've never known such a devoted friend, he worked at keeping his friendships strong with every single friend. We lost touch for about eight years until he tracked me down two years ago through Facebook. We spoke for an hour the day we reconnected. For the next two years, Danny continually reminded me how important cycling was and had been to me and that my crazy life now was no excuse for not riding. Danny never questioned how important cycling was – Of course we should all ride our bikes everywhere. Of course there should be bike lanes accessible to all. Of course everyone should share road tips and watch out for one another.

Danny's life was a force for a better New York through Cycling. He started Ebikes – an early listserv that connected riders in NYC. He marshaled every major ride in NYC. He volunteered for Transportation Alternatives and the 5BBC. He created some of the most beloved rides in NYC, many of which included key stops at his favorite restaurants, like his famous 5BBC Chocolate ride. If you were a NYC cyclist you knew Danny or of him. If you didn't know Danny, then you were not really a New York

 **24** City cyclist.

by Barbara Campagna



Danny Lieberman, the king of New York City cycling for nearly two decades. Photo courtesy Clarence Eckerson, Jr.

## VIGNETTES FROM A GREEN LIFE

### Our First Ride

Most of my favorite memories of Danny include cycling, architecture and good food. Really, what more is there? I met Danny on a sunny July day in 1996. I had just joined the Five Borough Bike Club (5BBC) and Transportation Alternatives (TA) to meet new people, go on organized rides and see parts of New York I had never seen. I went on a Brooklyn ride that he was leading. We

started chatting on an unscheduled stop to help someone with a flat. We were standing beneath the Manhattan Bridge in what's now called DUMBO, looking at the grand yet deteriorating buildings surrounding us. When he found out I was an architect he started grilling me about the styles. When he found out I was a preservation architect, he wanted to know all about the Landmarks Preservation Commission. By the end of the ride I was hooked on Danny.

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## Our Scariest Ride

One of the scariest and most memorable rides with Danny was an 86-mile Sunday training ride for the TA Century in August 1997. The ride started out well, but it quickly got very hot and at about mile 80 as we were weaving through the silent, deserted streets of the industrial Bronx, a massive thunderstorm blew in. There was nowhere to go. Danny spotted a parking lot filled with semis and screamed for us (about 8 of us) to get off our bikes, put our bikes under one truck and for us all to crawl under another. We waited out the storm beneath a truck for about 20 minutes, laughing but scared (at least I was!) because it was getting dark, clinging to one another. We were hungry and it was too dangerous to ride. Danny kept us all calm and then carefully led us back to Manhattan on the dark, wet roads. What should have been an eight hour ride became a twelve hour ride but I've never forgotten the camaraderie

## Looking Out For Everyone

Danny took this photo of me (top, right) at the Pumpkin Patch Century in New Jersey in 1997. He recently came across it and posted it on Facebook. For some reason, I struggled through the ride and was the last person to ride in. Our group was waiting for me but Danny had headed out in the van in search of me. When he came back and saw me he yelled at me for five minutes – not because he was angry, because he was worried. I had turned my phone off and no one could reach me. I never turned my phone off again during a ride. Danny was every ride's captain and mensch.

## One Last Dinner

The last time I saw Danny was this past June. I was teaching a summer class in NYC on Mondays and Wednesdays so flew in from North Carolina for four days a week. Danny had had his bone marrow transplant about a month earlier and although frail and tired, was determined that we take a walk around Washington Heights where he was recuperating. He wanted to show me some buildings he'd seen in the neighborhood and try out a new Thai restaurant. We reminisced about our past glory days of riding, commiserated about health care paperwork and enjoyed our Thai food while dissecting the character flaws in the second



season of "Game of Thrones." After dinner, he insisted upon walking me to the subway. I've read so many stories like this about Danny on his Facebook page. He had this palpable, significant effect on everyone. He made NYC the better, greener place it has become. Without Danny, NYC wouldn't have the hundreds of miles of bike lanes we have today. Without Danny many of us wouldn't have the network of friends we have today. And without Danny we wouldn't have the memories of friendship,

camaraderie, and great rides that made NYC the special place it was for me for so long. Ride in Peace, my friend, you were a True Green Citizen.

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*Enjoying chocolate on March 31st, 2011 at one of Danny's favorite places – L.A. Burdick's on 20th Street in Manhattan. Danny, Lynette Chiang, David Holowka and I had a classic Danny-planned evening – a stroll along the High Line, dinner at a great French restaurant and running across 20th Street to get hot chocolate before Burdick's closed*



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Danny Lieberman would occasionally go on 5BBC weekend trips like to Cape Cod in 2008. Photo by Loma McCrave



# 2011-07-16 Danny's Last 5BBC Neck & Neck

I'm struggling with so many emotions right now and sometimes think I'm still in denial of Danny's passing. I just realized now that I never posted this album in Facebook or Picasa or even shared with 5BBC before.

Words and Photos  
by Dalah Del Prado

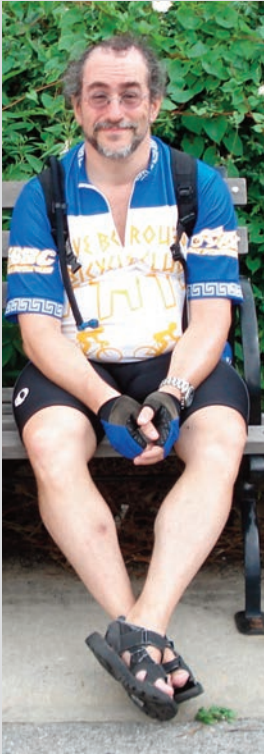


Photo by Cheryl Deitch

I had the privilege of co-leading what would be Danny's last 5BBC led ride. It was hot, summer day and we experienced a lot of issues on the ride... three flats by Danny, a couple of flats from some of the trippers, Debbie's mechanical issues, etc. Throughout the ride, I noticed that Danny was not his normal riding self... He rode slower than his usual speed, he struggled through most of the hills that he has gone through so many times in the past, he had to take several breaks, and about less than 10 miles to our final destination, he had to bail out and take the subway home. I had to take over and lead the rest of the trippers back to Manhattan. I was admittedly annoyed, somewhat surprised but also genuinely concerned of his state but quickly concluded that he was just having one of those bad days.

Months later in one of my visits to him in the hospital, Danny and I talked about this ride. He said that looking back, his physical condition during and slow recovery after the ride were telling signs of his health problem. It's still hard for me to see that connection in these photos since he seemed fine and happy despite our ride hiccups. But maybe that's what counts...despite everything, we have these good memories we can hold on to.



Thank you Danny Lieberman for giving me the opportunity to ride with you one last time. You never let me quit on my first 5BBC ride. You encouraged me through so many training rides. You took me under your wing as a volunteer & captain in the Five Boro Bike Tour. You guided me through the leadership program. And most of all, you welcomed me into your circle of friends! Thank you my friend. I will miss you.







Danny and Liz Baum marshaling at the 2012 Five Borough Bike Tour. Photo by Antonio Rivera.



Danny with 5BBC Leader and former club President Sharon Behnke.



# Miscellany Danny



Takin a relaxing ride through Summer Streets,  
up and down Park Ave South.

Danny with charming  
fellow 5BBC Leader and  
friend, Rhonda Wittorf.

Photos by Sharon Behnke, from 2009.







Saturday, May 14, 2011: Phil O'Reilly, right, guides Danny Lieberman in a light moment of relaxation, Water Mill rest stop, on the Montauk Century volunteers pre-ride. Photo from Danny's digital photo collection.



## 5BBC Membership Card and Participating Bike Shop Discount List

Below you'll find your Five Borough Bicycle Club membership card. Make sure your mailing label is on the other side (with the new expiration date), then just cut it out. Laminate it if you wish, and keep it somewhere safe. Show it at any of the shops listed below for a discount on many items. This list is for 5BBC members like you. Visit [www.5bbc.org/bikeshops.shtml](http://www.5bbc.org/bikeshops.shtml) for more shops.

### Flash your 5BBC Membership

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Bx, NY 10461 718-409-1114  
[westchesterpro.com](http://westchesterpro.com)

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###### **Bicycle Station**

171 Park Ave., Bklyn, NY 11205  
718-638-0300  
[bicyclestationbrooklyn.com](http://bicyclestationbrooklyn.com)

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1580 Fulton Street  
Bklyn, NY 11213 718-778-2887

###### **Kensington Cycle Works**

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[kensingtoncycleworks.com](http://kensingtoncycleworks.com)

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400 7th Ave.  
Bklyn, NY 11215 718-768-4998  
[onthemovenyc.com](http://onthemovenyc.com)

###### **Roy's Sheepshead Cycles**

2679 Coney Island Ave. Bklyn, NY 11235  
718-646-9430 [roysbikes.com](http://roysbikes.com)

###### **Verrazano Bicycle Shop**

7308 5th Ave, Bklyn, NY 11209 718-680-6521, [verrazanocycles.com](http://verrazanocycles.com)

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224 E 13th St.(2nd-3rd Aves)  
NY, NY 10003 212-529-7247  
[bfold.com](http://bfold.com)

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244 Lafayette St NY, NY 10012  
212-431-3315 [bicyclehabitat.com](http://bicyclehabitat.com)

###### **Bicycle Renaissance**

430 Columbus Ave.(81st St)  
NY, NY 10024 212-724-2350  
[bicyclerenaisance.com](http://bicyclerenaisance.com)

###### **Bike Works**

106 Ridge St. NY, NY 10002  
212-388-1077, [bikecult.com](http://bikecult.com)

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896 Amsterdam Ave (103-104 Sts)  
NY, NY 10024 212-662-2690  
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212-563-3373 [city-bicycle.com](http://city-bicycle.com)

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[continuumcycles.com](http://continuumcycles.com)

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212-580-2011 [eddiesbicycles.net](http://eddiesbicycles.net)

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212-582-0620, [enochsbikes.com](http://enochsbikes.com)

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212-533-6332, [franksbikes.com](http://franksbikes.com)

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112 W Broadway, NY, NY 10013 212-732-2453 [togabikes.com](http://togabikes.com)

###### **Pedal Pusher**

1306 Second Ave., NY, NY 10021  
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[pedalpusherbikeshop.com](http://pedalpusherbikeshop.com)

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(1) 151 W 19 St. NY, NY 10021  
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212-213-8360 [sidsbikes.com](http://sidsbikes.com)

##### STATEN ISLAND

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517 Jewett Ave., Staten Island, NY  
10302, 718-447-8652  
[bennettsbicycle.com](http://bennettsbicycle.com)

##### LONG ISLAND

###### **The Bicycle Planet**

540 Jericho Turnpike  
Syosset NY 11791 516-364-4434  
[www.thebicycleplanet.com](http://www.thebicycleplanet.com)

###### **Bike Discounters**

1021 Portion Rd., Ronkonkoma, NY  
11779, 631-846-7320, [thebikeoutlet.com](http://thebikeoutlet.com)

###### **Brands Cycle Center**

1966 Wantagh Ave., Wantagh, NY  
11793, 516-781-6100, [brandscycle.com](http://brandscycle.com)

###### **East End Bicycles**

943 Montauk Hwy., Shirley, NY 11967  
631-399-7390, [eastendbikes.com](http://eastendbikes.com)

###### **Carl Hart Bicycles**

620 Middle Country Rd., Middle Island,  
NY 11953, 631-924-5850, [carlhart.com](http://carlhart.com)

###### **Sayville Bike Works**

75 Main St., West Sayville, NY 11796,  
631-589-0009, [sayvillebike.com](http://sayvillebike.com)

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1067 Broadway, Woodmere, NY 11598  
516-374-0606, [southshorebicycle.com](http://southshorebicycle.com)

###### **Valley Stream Bicycle**

95 E. Merrick Rd., Valley Stream, NY  
11580, 516-825-8181  
[valleystreambicycle.com](http://valleystreambicycle.com)

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Oyster Bay, NY 11771,  
516-922-2150, [visentinbike.com](http://visentinbike.com)

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141 East Main St., Elmsford, NY 10523  
914-592-7979

###### **Pelham Bicycle Center**

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914-738-3338, [pelhambikes.com](http://pelhambikes.com)

###### **Sierra Cycles**

46 Garth Rd., Scarsdale, NY 10583  
914-725-8333, [sierracyclesny.com](http://sierracyclesny.com)

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[baybrookbicycles.com](http://baybrookbicycles.com)

###### **College Street Cycles**

252 College St., New Haven, CT 06510  
203-865-2724, [collegestreetcycles.com](http://collegestreetcycles.com)

###### **Newington Bicycle**

1030 Main St.,Newington, CT 06111  
860-667-0857, [newingtonbike.com](http://newingtonbike.com)

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###### **Bicycle Tech**

2 Station Rd., Lincoln Park, NJ 07035  
(973) 694-6775, [bicyclotechnonline.com](http://bicyclotechnonline.com)

###### **Bicycle Workshop**

175 Country Rd., Tenafly NJ 07670  
201-568-9372, [bicycleworkshop.com](http://bicycleworkshop.com)

###### **Marty's Reliable Bicycle**

173 Speedwell Ave., Morristown, NJ  
07960, 973-538-7773,  
[martyreliable.com](http://martyreliable.com)

###### **Strictly Bicycles**

2347 Hudson Terrace,  
Fort Lee, NJ 07024,  
201-944-7074, [strictlybicycles.com](http://strictlybicycles.com)



###### **Heavy Metal**

2016 Third Ave., NY, NY 10031  
212-410-1144

###### **Innovation Bike Shop**

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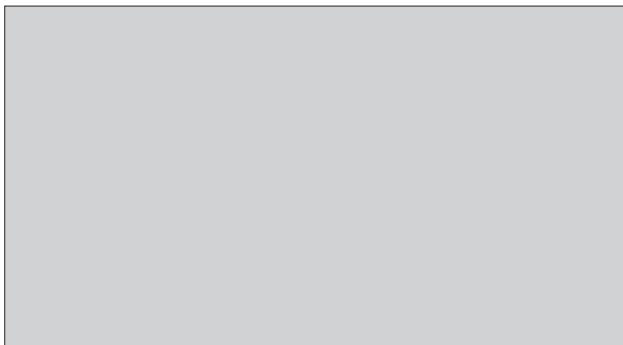
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The Five Borough Bicycle Club is a nonprofit association, encouraging people to enjoy the sport of non-competitive cycling, through our bike rides, weekend trips and general meetings. The club is located at the Hostelling International-NY building, formerly American Youth Hostels (AYH). Bicycle club programs include bicycle trips, education, and special events. General Meetings are open to the public and usually held monthly. Please check the Bicycletter and the website [www.5bbc.org](http://www.5bbc.org) for exact dates and locations. You can also contact the Five Borough Bicycle Club Programs Coordinator at [programs@5bbc.org](mailto:programs@5bbc.org).

Executive Board Meetings, which are open to club members who have contacted the club President or Vice President prior to the meeting, are usually held on the first Monday of each month.

Five Borough Bicycle Club membership is \$20, or \$25 for 2 members of the same household, is valid through December 31, 2012\*

\*Membership initiated after October 1, 2012 is valid through December 31, 2013.

Submissions to the Bicycletter are heartily encouraged, on CDs, flash drives or even 3.5" diskettes, accompanied by hard copy; or email [newsletter@5bbc.org](mailto:newsletter@5bbc.org). Please limit articles to 300 words. Classified ads are free to members.

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